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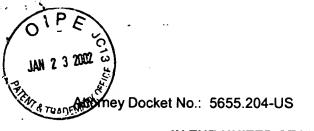
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action mailed December 4, 2001, that made restriction and election of species requirements. Applicants were requested to elect one of four (4) designated groups and a single species in each of seven (7) species categories.

In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I. Applicants hereby reserve the right to file continuing applications directed to the non-elected subject matter.

In response to the election of species requirement, Applicants hereby elect the following species:

- A. For the species of "catalytic active of interest," Applicants hereby elect protease activity.
 - B. For the species of "biologically amplifiable unit," Applicants hereby elect a phage.
- C. For the species of "substrate," Applicants hereby elect the substrate for a protease.
- D. For the species of "selecting," Applicants hereby elect the selection step of immobilizing the product molecule.
- E. For the species of "attachment of catalyst to substrate." Applicants hereby elect covalent attachment.
- F. For the species of "a flexible linker," Applicants hereby elect polyethylene glycol (PEG).
- G. For the sp cies of "a carrier system," Applicants hereby lect a phage-peptide carrier system.

#18 IPP 2/14/02 The Examiner is hereby invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if there are any questions concerning this response or application.

Respectfully submitted,

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